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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified Application, filed concurrently herewith, as indicated.

In the Claims:

Kind replace Claims 4, 5, 11, 12, 14 and 15 as follows:

4. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 2, wherein a reinforcement material, such as a rowing weave material is arranged around said injection moulded material, forming an outer layer of said chamber.

5. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 2, wherein said injection-mouldable material essentially is a polyamide material.

11. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 1, wherein said chamber is releasably mountable in said sterilisation device.

12. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 1, wherein said chamber is essentially manufactured in one continuous piece.

14. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 12, wherein said chamber is provided with a pair of integrally formed tracks, in which a sealing chamber door may be slidably mounted.

15. (Amended) Sterilisation device, being provided with a sterilisation chamber, in which a sterilisation process is intended to be performed, characterised in that said chamber is as described in claim 1.

Please add the following new Claims 16 to 20:

16. (New) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 3, wherein a reinforcement material, such as a rowing weave material is arranged around said injection moulded material, forming an outer layer of said chamber.

17. (New) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 3, wherein said injection-mouldable material essentially is a polyamide material.

18. (New) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 4, wherein said injection-mouldable material essentially is a polyamide material.

19. (New) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 2, wherein said chamber is releasably mountable in said sterilisation device.

20. (New) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 13, wherein said chamber is provided with a pair of integrally formed tracks, in which a sealing chamber door may be slidably mounted.

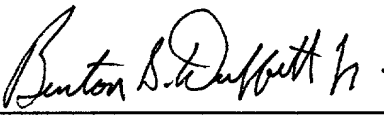
REMARKS

The present Amendment is intended to eliminate the use of multiple dependency.

The examination and allowance of the Application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marked-up Claims 4, 5, 11, 12, 14 and 15

4. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 2 [or 3], wherein a reinforcement material, such as a rowing weave material is arranged around said injection moulded material, forming an outer layer of said chamber.

5. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 2, [3 or 4] wherein said injection-mouldable material essentially is a polyamide material.

11. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said chamber is releasably mountable in said sterilisation device.

12. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said chamber is essentially manufactured in one continuous piece.

14. (Amended) Sterilisation chamber according to claim 12 [or 13], wherein said chamber is provided with a pair of integrally formed tracks, in which a sealing chamber door may be slidably mounted.

15. (Amended) Sterilisation device, being provided with a sterilisation chamber, in which a sterilisation process is intended to be performed, characterised in that said chamber is as described in [any one of the claims 1-14] claim 1.

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